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**Amendment A**

Prior to examination, please amend the above application as follows:

**Specification:**

P1., lines 3-7 delete and substitute the following:

**-Cross-Reference to Related Application**

This application is entitled to the benefits of provisional Patent Applications Ser. Nr 60/410,653 filed September 13, 2002; provisional Patent Applications Ser. Nr 60/210,877 filed June 9, 2000, now Patent Application Ser. Nr. 09/877,167 filed June 8, 2001; and provisional Patent Applications Ser. Nr 60/384,869 filed June 1, 2002, now Patent Application Ser. Nr. 10/499,147 filed May 31, 2003.

**REMARKS**

The above amendment is provided in response to the statutory requirement that applicant insert a reference to applicant's PPA. In addition, to refer to related previously filed patents.

Very Respectfully,



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